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ARTILLERY ASSEMBLY AREA
CHA NOI, NORTH VIETNAM
1738N 10607E

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD DEPICTS THREE INFREQUENTLY OBSERVED 130 MM FIELD GUNS IN AN ASSEMBLY AREA NEAR CHA NOI, NORTH VIETNAM. THE LOCATION OF THE ASSEMBLY AREA INDICATES THAT THE WEAPONS MAY BE MOVED FARTHER SOUTH FOR OPERATIONAL DEPLOYMENT.

2. LOCATION:

THE AREA IS LOCATED 0.6 NM SOUTH OF CHA NOI, OFF ROUTE 101, 10.0 NM WNW OF THE JUNCTION OF ROUTES 101 AND 137 AT UTM XE180498.

3. BACKGROUND:

THE 130 MM FIELD GUN, WHICH HAS BEEN PREVIOUSLY IDENTIFIED IN NORTH VIETNAM AND LAOS HAS THE GREATEST RANGE OF ANY KNOWN ARTILLERY PIECES IN THE NORTH VIETNAMESE INVENTORY.

4. MISSION READOUT:

13 FEBRUARY 1969, REVEALS AN ARTILLERY ASSEMBLY 25X1 AREA LOCATED 0.6 NM SOUTH OF CHA NOI AND ROUTE 101 AT UTM XE180498. THE AREA CONSISTS OF A ROAD, IMPROVED IN SPOTS BY BAMBOO SUPPORT MATTING, AND A PARKING/MAINTENANCE AREA. THE AREA CONTAINS THREE 130 MM FIELD GUNS, TWO ATS-59 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, TWO LIMBERS, ONE POSSIBLE AMMUNITION TRUCK, TWO OTHER TRUCKS AND FOUR DERELICT TRUCKS. THE FIELD GUNS ARE NOT IN FIRING POSITION AND ARE PROBABLY UNDERGOING MINOR

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